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SUBJECT.

Clearing out the date jungles below the
Soolikere Lake by the Comiects of Shimoga
Jail.

PREVIOUS REFERENCES.

LATER REFERENCES.

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From 1864. 4 p. 6
The Offg. Supt of
Mugur
To The Secretary to the

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Towards for in-
formation a copy of
Correspondence be-
tween himself and
the J. S. Commr on the
Subject of the removal
of prisoners to the
Loolkeray Lake.

Commr. / M. W. L.

Acknowledge receipt, and observe that
I presume that the Medical Officer
of the Dir. has acquiesced in sending
the property of sending the prisoners
to Loolkeray. D 2/11/64

General No 247
Judicial No 6.

1862-5. Nagar Division
Superintendent's Office

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From
The Off^r Superintendent
Nagar Division
To
The As^y Secretary to the Commission
for the Government of the
Territories of Mad^{ras} the Rajah
of Mysore
Dated Munnaga 25th October 1864
Sir.

I have the honor to entrust
for the information of the Commission
a copy of the correspondence between
my letter to you^r ^{margin} which has taken
Commissioner of the 12th place between my self and
Gen^l No 59. ^{the Judicial Commissioner}
Jud^l Comm^r No 41 on the subject of the removal
of the 18th item of a gang of convicts to the
my further letter to ^{Poolakuray lake owing to the}
Jud^l Comm^r No 65 of overcrowded state of the Jail
the 24th item at Munnaga.

2. If I am not permitted to try
the experiment of clearing the
Dake jungle now with the convicts
sent to Poolakuray for the purpose
I fear that a beginning will
never be made to that very
important work.

I have the honor to be
Sir.
Your most obed^t serv^t

[Signature]
As^y Superintendent

C No 59

3
Niger Division Superintd's
Office.

Camp Chemmagary 12th

October 1864

To

Enclosure No 51

The Judicial Commissioner
in ellypore

Sir,

Having been urged by the
Medical Officer at Shingoga to relieve
the toil of a portion of its inmates
at once, I have taken the liberty of
directing that a gang of 100 men
should be sent to the Soolikera
Tank with a view to their being
employed in cutting down the
date trees at present overgrowing
the land, and such other work
in connection with the tank as
may be necessary, and I trust that
the arrangement will meet with
your approval.

Yr-

4 It was my intention to have moved the men out on the 1st of November, and to have obtained your sanction to the measure in the interim. But as Mr Oswald has twice or thrice urged on me the extreme danger of keeping the Jail in its present crowded state, I thought it better to act on my own responsibility in moving the gang to the place above mentioned.

Every precaution will be taken for the safe custody of the prisoners, and I am now on my way to Doole Kerray to select a suitable site for their encampment.

I have the honor to be Sir
(Signed) J Clerk
Offg Superintd

Mysore Judicial Commissioners Office
Bangalore 18th October 1884.

N. 41

From

Enclosure to Sd/- 5

From C. B. Saunders Esquire
Judicial Commissioner
in Mysore

To The Offg Superintendent of the
Mysore Division.

Sir,

In reply to your letter no. 59 of the
2nd instant, I have the honor to inform
you, that I entirely approve of your
having on the requisition of the
Judicial Officer, taken prompt
steps to relieve the overcrowded
state of the Jail, and that I presume
you have exercised a sound discretion
in removing the Prisoners to the
locality therein indicated, with a
view to their being employed on the
work detailed by you in your letter
under acknowledgement.

2 At the same time, I consider
it right to request that in addition
to taking all requisite measures
to ensure the safe custody of the
Prisoners

Prisoners at their new encampment
you will be good enough to issue
instructions to the Officer immedi-
ately in charge, as well as to the
District authorities in general, to
exercise the strictest and most
watchful care over the health
of the outworking gang and to
take prompt and immediate
steps for removing them elsewhere,
if sickness should break out
amongst them, inasmuch as the
neighbourhood of the Cooleharney
Tank owing to the dark overgrown
vegetation which has sprung up
on all sides has long borne the
reputation of being a feverish
and unhealthy locality, and it
is this which is said to have
caused a great diminution of
population and falling off in
cultivation

Cultivation Enclosure to 517

3. I have but little doubt that it is, with a view to restore and ameliorate the character of the locality and to increase the inducements for bringing the land once more under cultivation, that you propose to cut down the date trees at present overgrowing the land, but at the same time, I deem it to be my undoubted duty to point out that the removal of overgrown jungle has not infrequently been found to be accompanied with a sudden outbreak of Epidemic disease, and that the employment of convicts on such duty and in a locality which has I believe the reputation of being feverish and unhealthy

and

and where wild beasts are known to abound cannot but be attended with considerable danger and risk while in the event of any accident happening or increase of sickness and mortality following the removal of the Prisoners to their present encampment, the Supreme Government will in all probability view the deputation to Shoolikerry on the above duty with disfavor and may communicate an expression of their disapproval.

4. Under these circumstances, and unless I should be in error as to the reputed unhealthiness of the above locality, I would beg to suggest that the Prisoners be employed in roadmaking or other suitable occupation in parts of the country which

which are known to be salubrious
and destitute of jungle, as the latter
cannot but be deemed on every
account prejudicial and objection-
-able where Prisoners are concerned.

I have the honor to be
(Signed) C. B. Saunders
Judicial Commissioner

No 65

Jugur Durson Superintd's
Office
Shumoga 24th October
1864

To The Judicial Commissioner
in Mysore

Sir,

In acknowledging the receipt of
your letter of the 18th Instant No. 41 on
the subject of the removal of a gang
of prisoners from the Shumoga Jail
to the Loolikerry Lake, I beg leave
to be permitted to make the following
observations. It is altogether a mis-
-take to suppose that the Lake is
surrounded on all sides by dark
overgrown

10 Overgrown vegetation. on three
sides it is perfectly open and for
the most part well cultivated.
The only vegetation of the kind
suggested exists below the bund,
and the scantiness of the popula-
tion and the absence of Cultivation
was caused not I believe by the
unsalubrity of the spot, but the
high rates imposed on the land
by Poorviah which drove the
cultivators from it.

As regards the clearing of
the jungle being likely to cause an
epidemic amongst the people
employed on the work, I can only
say that I have seen much forest
and jungle felled and cannot
call to mind an instance of
disease showing itself in an
epidemic form in consequence.
But

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But of course I am not prepared to say that the convicts will enjoy absolute immunity from sickness, though every precaution has been taken to preserve their health. I should have no hesitation in spending a month or two at Lougherry myself, and personally I have no scruple in employing the convicts in that locality. If a more than ordinary rate of sickness or mortality should show itself in the gang, I shall of course at once remove them to some other locality. But I hope that I may be permitted to commence operations, and continue the work till sickness warns me to desist. A dresser has been attached to the gang, and every precaution

taken

Cont. Co. 2852.

Nov. 3 3 1864

12. H. C. O.

Beingaloo, 12th Nov. 1864.

SECTION-- P & Y.

FILE NO. 1-1864

SERIAL. The Off. Superior Lieutenant
of Engineer.

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In acknowledging the
receipt of your letter Co. 247
dated the 25th Ultimo. I am
directed by the Comdr. to
observe that he presumes
that the Medical Officer
of the Division has ac-
quiesced in the propriety
of sending the prisoners
to Poolahera.

B 3/11/64

I have to

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Recy.

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to 26th of 28th Dec. That
the Court proceeds
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required in the paper;
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2000 to 2000

General features of the proposition,
but instead of 100 men it
would be preferable to entertain 80,
with divided into small gangs
with of 10, with a foreman
over each gang, & one or two men
to supervise the work.

General

No. 223

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From

The App. Superintendent
Prison Division

To The Asst. Secretary to the Govt.
of England.

11/64

Dated 11th November 1864.

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SECTION

Enclosures, No. 212

E No.

General No. 257

A No.

3

Request the Commissioner
Sanction to the employment
of a Gang of 100 laborers
for six months on the
works at Coolickerry
in addition to the Con-
victs already there.

Thos. J. Keble

This may be sanctioned

Sanction may be given to the

U. L. 1864. 11-11-64.

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General No 257
General. 186 } 1864/65

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Nagpur Division
Superintendent's Office
Shinoga 11th November
1864.

From
The Offg Superintendent of the
Nagpur Division.

To
The Acting Secretary to the
Commissioner for the
Government of the Territories
of M. & C. the Maha
Rajah of Mysore

Sir,

I have the honor to request that
you will obtain the Commissioners
sanction to my employing in addition
to the convicts already on the work, a
gang of 100 laborers for six months
at an average cost of Rupees 5 per
man per mensem, in order to clear
the date jungle behind the Pooli.

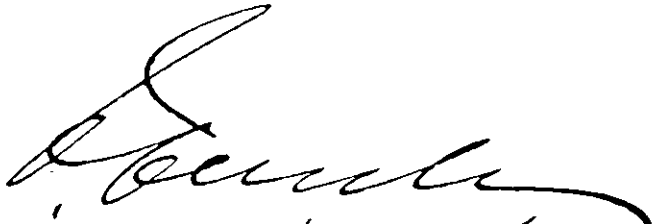
Keray Lake. Separate accounts
will be kept of the amount of
work done by them, to be compared
with

with that of the Prisoners. At the
expiration of the present working
Season, the result will only be
reported on.

2 Lieut. Cumming who is about
to take charge of the Arrah,
Chennaghere, and Honully Talooks
will be able to exercise constant
supervision over them, and direct
the operations of both parties.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most Obedient Servant


Offg Superintendent

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1864

Rs. 2940
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To

The Supts of Puzur
Dated 11th November

In reply to No. 257
dated 4th Inst. conveys
sanction to the entertain-
ment of 80 men instead
of 100 as proposed for
clearing out the date
jangles below the Coala-
have Lake, the total
cost of the project not
exceed Rupees 500 per
man.

Original not
for the same